

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – EXAMINING GROUP 1763**

Appl. No. : 09/715,576 (Confirmation No. 5716)  
Applicants : *Kong et al.*  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.116**

Sir:

This responds to the final Office Action mailed August 29, 2005. The undersigned attorney appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the application and responds herein to the issues presented.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.